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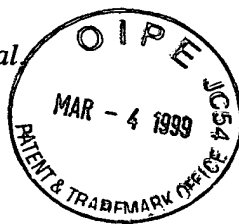
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: KERN *et al.*

Serial No.: 08/637,752

Filed: April 29, 1996

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Sir:

Applicants respectfully request clarification of the status of the above-captioned patent application.

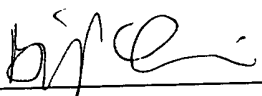
On July 12, 1996, Applicants submitted to the United States Patent and Trademark Office a Communication regarding an erroneous Notification of Abandonment received from the Patent Office. Applicants further submitted on April 23, 1997 an Information Disclosure Statement and Revised PTO For 1449. To date, however, Applicants have not received a response to the July 12, 1996 Communication, nor any other action from the Patent Office.

Consequently, Applicants respectfully request advice regarding the status of the above-entitled patent application.

Applicants believe that no fee is due at this time; however, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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